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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of:

Sokoll et al.

Application No. 10/620,686

Filed: July 17, 2003

Title of Invention:

BIODEGRADABLE TARGETABLE

MICROPARTICLE DELIVERY SYSTEM

DECISION NOTING

JOINDER OF INVENTOR

This is in response to the Request for Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) and 37 CFR $1.137(b)^{1}$, filed March 7, 2005, noting the joinder of the inventor. A one (1) month extension-of-time has been granted.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is not necessary and the Reconsideration of Petition is considered to be moot. This application does not have any Rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office for further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

The Declaration has been entered and made of record.

The application file is being referred to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for continued processing in due course.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3232.

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 $^{^{\}rm I}\,{\rm A}$ Decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is mailed under separate cover.